

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
A B S T R A C T

P.S - Irrigation & CAD Department – Sri T.Venktaramaiah, Assistant Engineer, Nellore South Division, Guduru - Departmental Proceedings under Rule-20 of the A.P.Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991- Articles of charges - Issued

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IRRIGATION & CAD (SERVICES.X-2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1085

Dated: 14.08.2008.

O R D E R:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri T.Venktaramaiah, Assistant Engineer, Nellore South Division, Guduru in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the A.P.Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Articles of charges. (Annexure-I), statement of imputations of misconduct and misbehavior (Annexure-II), a list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure.III & IV).

3. Sri T.Venktaramaiah, Assistant Engineer, Nellore South Division, Guduru is directed to appear before the Disciplinary Authority i.e., Principal Secretary to Government, I&CAD Department, Room No.716 'J' Block, A.P.Secretariat, Hyderabad on **30.08.2008 at AM** and submit a written statement of defence and state whether you desire to be heard in person.

4. Sri T.Venktaramaiah, Assistant Engineer, Nellore South Division, Guduru is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges which are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri T.Venktaramaiah, Assistant Engineer, Nellore South Division, Guduru is further informed that if he does not submit his Written Statement of Defence on or before the date specified in para-3 above, further action will be processed basing on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri T.Venktaramaiah, Assistant Engineer, Nellore South Division, Guduru is invited to Rule 24 of the A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to take further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government, if any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter, it will be dealt with in these proceedings.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S.P.TUCKER
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri T.Venktaramaiah, Assistant Engineer, Nellore South Division, Guduru through Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Irrigation & CAD Department, Hyderabad.

Copy to:-

The Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Irrigation & CAD Department, Hyderabad.

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ANNEXURE-I

Draft Article of charges framed against Sri T.Venktaramaiah, Assistant Engineer, Nellore South Division, Guduru

Sri T.Venkataramaiah, Assistant Engineer, during his incumbency in the division has committed misconduct in violation of Rule 3 of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 as mentioned in the following articles of charges:

Articles of charge I:

That the said Sri T.Venkataramaiah, Assistant Engineer while functioning as Assistant Engineer in the Nellore South Division Gudur, during furnishing of reports and preparation of estimate for FDR 10/2001 works has not prepared realistic estimates based on the facts. Instead of restricting the estimates to the flood damage repairs, he has also included improvement works, which is in violation of Govt. instructions. On verification it was observed that the damages to the tanks were not to the extent reported. Ultimately the estimates were accorded sanction for amounts much lesser than have been reported, which leads to the conclusion that he has reported the flood damages without proper verification, or reported inflated figures than actually required for FDR in respect of the following works:

Sl.No.	Name of tank	Mandal	As reported Rs. In Lakhs	As sanctioned Rs. In lakhs
1	Rosanur Big Tank	Pellakur	15.00	8.57
2	Pennepalli tank	-do-	12.00	9.75
3	Palachur Tank	-do-	4.00	2.60
4	Bangarampeta tank	-do-	3.00	8.00
5	Korapativari Kothur tank	-do-	0.30	0.40

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ANNEXURE-II

Draft statement of imputations in support of charges framed against Sri T.Venkataramaiah,, Assistant Engineer

During a review meeting on preparation of proposals for FDR works on 16.07.2002, the Superintending Engineer, IC Nellore informed that the District Collector Nellore that 58 tanks requiring permanent restoration under FDR works were not recovered under G.O.Ms.No.76, dt. 24.04.2002, and requested to include the same. Subsequently the SE IC Nellore has reported 50 tanks requiring permanent restoration works.

In view of the inconsistency in the number of tanks reported and on credible information received from the MRO's and after his personal inspection of some of the tanks, the District Collector concluded that in large number of cases the estimates are excessive and that there is a grave prima-facie evidence in submission of irregular proposals for getting administrative sanction to misuse the Government funds under FDR works and requested to order for detailed inquiry on irrigation works taken up in Nellore district under APERP MR and FDR 2001.

Consequently a Committee comprising of (i) Advisor (Designs) (ii) CTE and (ii) Consultant M.I. Tanks (Hyderabad & RR Districts) was constituted to enquire into the matter.

Based on the report of the committee, Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, consultant Guntur & Nellore districts, was appointed to go into the details of irregularities in the FDR & MR works in Nellore district. The consultant after inspection of all the works submitted his report, whereupon a report along with the names of the officers responsible was obtained from the Superintending Engineer.

While a number of works technical sanction has been accorded for amounts higher than reported in the estimates, for most of the works technical sanctions have been accorded for amounts much lower than reported. This clearly indicates that inflated estimates were prepared, to take advantage of the funds being made available under FDR.

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ANNEXURE-III

List of Documents

- 1,. APFC Forms -20 for the respective works
2. Report of the District collector, Nellore
3. Report of the Committee
4. Report of the Consultant along with enclosures.
5. Estimates for the respective works
6. Any other relevant record.

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ANNEXURE-IV

List of Witnesses:

1. Sri K. Venakteswara Rao
Consultant (Nellore & Guntur Districts.)

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